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Mr. Howard A. Tanner, Director  
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Dear Mr. Tanner:

An ongoing dangerous situation persists at the abandoned K-O-I Petroleum Company property at 421 Lycaste on the east side of Detroit. The company left many drums filled with toxic waste materials as well as the large tanks. Leakage of one of the drums last December was temporarily solved - but a new outbreak could take place at any time.

It was determined by the Detroit Fire Department that the concern is bankrupt and the owners cannot be located. They were William Kobacs and Bruce Whitten, partners of KOI Petroleum, Inc. 500 Ford Blvd. Hamilton, Ohio. 45011. Their erstwhile telephone has been disconnected.

Employees of adjacent manufacturing firms have been subjected to coughing spells from fumes from the culprit drums, especially when the winds are from the south.

Please use your good offices to dispose of this hazard.

Cordially,

William A. McQueen  
President

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